

HOUSE No. 2230

By Mr. Kulik of Worthington, petition of Stephen Kulik for legislation to further define the term “snow vehicle”. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO FURTHER DEFINE SNOW VEHICLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 20 of chapter 90B of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the
3 end thereof the following definition:—

4 “Trails maintenance assessment”, a resident or non-resident
5 permit issued to snowmobiles by Snowmobile Association of
6 Massachusetts or its successor organization granting use of snow-
7 mobile trails on public and private property for which permission
8 has been granted.

9 Section 21 of said chapter 90B, as so appearing, is hereby
10 amended by striking out in line one the words “a snow vehicle or”
11 and inserting at the end thereof the following:

12 Section 21 (a) A person shall not operate a snow vehicle unless
13 registered and numbered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
14 or such other state or province given reciprocity by the director
15 pursuant to section 30, and displays a trails maintenance assess-
16 ment decal for snow vehicles at a location on said snow vehicle,
17 as may be determined by the director in accordance with section
18 22, except when operated:

19 (1) on the property of the owner of the snow vehicle; or

20 (2) off a way, in a ski area while being used for the purpose of
21 packing snow or in rescue operations; or

22 (3) for official use by a federal, state or municipal agency and
23 only if the snow vehicle is identified with the name or seal of the
24 agency in a manner approved by the director.

25 (b) Any properly registered snow vehicle when operated solely
26 on privately owned property when the operator has in his posses-
27 sion either a document, signed by the owner or lessee of the prop-
28 erty, or his agent, authorizing the operation of such vehicle on the
29 property by the operator, shall not require a trail maintenance
30 assessment decal.

31 (c) The director may authorize the temporary operation of snow
32 vehicles not registered in this state on designated or temporary
33 trails for special events, provided the snow vehicle is registered
34 for off a way travel in another state or province; provided, how-
35 ever, said.